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Boardman River Trail project vetoed by governor

LANSING – A road project that would have improved tourism and recreational opportunities in Traverse City was vetoed by the governor, announced Sen. Jason Allen, R-Traverse City.

“Once again, the governor has shown that northern Michigan isn’t a priority for her,” Allen said. “This was an important local project, but unfortunately the governor has pulled the plug.”

The planned project called for a non-motorized trail bridge across the Boardman River in Traverse City as part of the Traverse Area Recreation and Transportation Trail system.

The Boardman River trail was designed to provide easy access to the public library, as well as Medalie and Hull Parks.

Her veto follows closely on the heels of the attempted Lansing takeover of the independence of the Mackinac Bridge Authority. The administration reversed its takeover attempt after northern Michigan residents protested.

“We approved a fiscally responsible budget that included this important project that would have improved the opportunities for tourists and outdoor enthusiasts to get out and enjoy northern Michigan,” Allen said.

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